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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Inventor:	Bradford G. Ackerman, et al.)
Serial No:	09/844,947) Group Art Unit: 1731
Filing Date:	April 27, 2001) Examiner: John M. Hoffman
Title:	METHOD FOR PRODUCING TITANIA-DOPED FUSED SILICA GLASS)

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PETITION FOR REVIVAL OF AN APPLICATION FOR PATENT ABANDONED UNAVOIDABLY INTENTIONALLY UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.137(a) ABANDONMENT DUE TO PATENT OFFICE ERROR

The above application became abandoned due to an error in the Patent Office by which applicants' Notice of Appeal and Request for a Three (3) Month Extension of Time mailed August 31, 2007 with a return postcard was not entered and/or was lost by the Patent Office. The facts are as follows.

- On October 17, 2007 applicants received a Notice of Abandonment mailed October 11, 2007 indicating that the above identified application became abandoned due to applicants failure to file a timely and proper reply to the Office Action mailed March 12, 2007 which set a three (3) month period of reply.
- Applicant replied to the Office Action of March 12, 2007 on May 23, 2007. This date is
 indicated in the Notice of abandonment.
- Applicants received an Advisory Action <u>mailed August 9, 2007</u> which indicated that the
 reply would not be entered because it raised new issues that were deemed to require further
 consideration and because it was deemed not to place the application in condition for
 allowance.
- Applicants filed a Notice of Appeal and a Request for a Three (3) Month Extension of Time
 on August 31, 2007 as evidenced by the Return Postcard bearing the Patent Office stamp

and date of September 4, 2007, <u>a copy of which is attached</u>. In addition, applicants have attached a copy of the Notice of Appeal and the Request for an Extension of Time that were mailed on August 31, 2007.

- On October 17, 2007 applicants received a Notice of Abandonment mailed October 11, 2007.
- On October 17, 2007 applicants' undersigned attorney called the Examiner, John Hoffmann, and asked whether the Notice of Appeal was received. The Examiner indicated that he had not received it.

In view of the foregoing facts and enclosed evidence in support thereof, applicants submit that a Notice of Abandonment was improperly issued and applicants respectfully request that the Notice of Abandonment be withdrawn without the requiring the payment of a fee. However, in the event that applicants are mistaken, applicants request that the fee of \$500.00 for Unavoidable Abandonment under 37 CFR 1,17(l), including any additional fees or surcharges as necessary, be charged deposit account of the undersigned corporation, Deposit Account No. 03-3325...

Applicants further request that the fees for the Notice of Appeal and Three Month Extension of Time filed August 31, 2007 also be charged deposit account of the undersigned corporation, Deposit Account No. 03-3325.

Lastly, In view of the above facts and evidence, and applicants' belief that this Petition will be granted, applicants believe that the correct date for their filing their Brief on Appeal is October 31, 2007. The Brief will be filed on or before this date.

October 2007 Date **CERTIFICATE OF EXPRESS MAIL UNDER 37 CFR 1.10:** I hereby certify that this paper or fee is being deposited with the United States Postal Service "Express Mail Post Office to Addressee" service under 37 CFR 1.10 on the date indicated below and is Addressed to Mail Stop Petition, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450, on October 18, 2007 "EXPRESS MAIL" Mailing Label No.: EM087135406US Julie Henshaw on October 18, 2007

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Enclosures:

- 1. A copy of the return postcard bearing the Patent Office's stamped date of September 4, 2007 indicating receipt of applicants Notice of Appeal and request for an Extension of time.
- 2. A copy of applicants' Notice of Appeal of August 31, 2007 for entry into the case.
- 3. A copy of the applicants' request of August 31, 2007 for a Three (3) Month Extension of Time for entry into the case.
- 4. Return postcard for this Petition



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